

Don't Wait For Conscription! Volunteer Now!

# Hawaiian Gazette

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER  
U. S. WEATHER BUREAU  
May 14, 1917—Last Tuesday  
Four hours' rainfall, 1.10  
Temperature, Min. 65; Max.  
78. Weather, pt. cloudy.

LATEST CABLED SUGAR QUOTATIONS  
Cents Dollars  
90° Centrifugal N. Y. per lb. per ton  
Price, Hawaiian basis 6.125 \$122.40  
Last previous quotation 6.14 \$122.80

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## RUSSIA ON VERGE OF COMPLETE COLLAPSE

Minister of Justice Tells Delegates  
That Unless Energy Now Wasted  
On Peace Moves Is Diverted  
To Defense the End Is Near

APPEALS TO SOLDIERS TO  
RALLY TO HELP OF NATION

Change From Slavery To Free-  
dom Not Going Forward Prop-  
erly For People Are Intoxicated  
With Their Taste of Liberty

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)  
PETROGRAD, May 15—That  
Russia stands on the verge  
of a collapse that will mean  
the ending of all her high hopes  
of freedom and the differing  
for many years of that time  
when she would become one among  
the democracies of the world, is  
the gist of a formal statement  
issued Sunday afternoon by  
Minister of Justice Kerensky to  
the members of the Workmen and  
Soldiers' Delegates Conference in  
session here.

His appeal was addressed more  
particularly to the delegates from  
the war front. He declared that  
heretofore he has been most con-  
fident in the future of his coun-  
try, but that he is inclined now to  
fear the very worst.

"For a time," he said, "I be-  
lieved that Russia would come to  
herself in ample time to meet the  
crisis, but as affairs are going  
now it appears to me to be im-  
possible to save the country. Per-  
haps the time is near when your  
officials must tell you that they  
can no longer give you the amount  
of bread that you desire.

"The change from slavery to  
freedom is not going forward  
properly. You have tasted of  
freedom and it has gone to your  
head. You are slightly intoxica-  
ted and need sobriety and disci-  
pline to bring you to a full real-  
ization of the problems that now  
confront you and Holy Russia.

"This declaration is made with  
a full knowledge of what the  
words imply, and they represent  
the mature opinion of the public  
in Petrograd. Unless there is a  
new spirit in the army—and that  
quickly—and a new spirit of real  
understanding in the masses of  
the people, unless the energy  
which is now being used on fool-  
ish peace efforts is transformed  
to working for the defense of our  
land, it is generally felt here that  
Russia will prove unable long to  
continue the war."

This morning the council issued  
a formal appeal to the soldiers  
to rally to the support of their  
native land and particularly  
against those deluded ones who  
have failed to realize that Ger-  
many is bending every effort to  
destroy the revolution in Russia and  
to enslave the people once more.

"Separate peace, with such a foe  
as Germany has proved herself to  
be, is impossible," continues the  
appeal. "We cannot dream of it.  
The only solution, therefore, is  
the general peace which can  
come only through the common  
action of our allies and ourselves."

## SPY CHASERS ARE SET TO WORK BY SECRET SERVICE

United States Government Begins  
Task of Ridding the Nation of  
German Agents Following Re-  
velations of Master Spy Caught  
in Los Angeles

(Associated Press by Cable.)  
WASHINGTON, May 14—Action to  
overthrow the German secret service in  
the United States has been begun by  
the federal authorities, acting on in-  
formation said to have been furnished  
them by Rudolph Flamming, alleged  
master spy, jailed at Los Angeles. It  
is understood the country has been  
divided into ten spy districts by the  
German spies.

## FRIGHTFULNESS TO NEUTRALS URGED

German Professor Declares "No  
Trace Should Be Left of  
Vessels We Sink"

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)  
COPENHAGEN, May 15—Professor  
Flamm, a privy councillor, in a state-  
ment published in the *Weekend* of Berlin,  
urges upon the German admiralty a  
greater degree of frightfulness in its  
use of submarines. The professor  
would have the admiralty carry on a  
war of extermination directed particu-  
larly against neutral shipping, and  
would have the submarine commanders  
instructed to leave no witnesses alive  
of any of the blows struck.

A harsher treatment of neutrals is  
necessary, in the opinion of the privy  
councillor, in order to strike terror in  
to all neutral hearts and intimidate  
them into keeping all neutral shipping  
within its own harbors, thus forcing  
Great Britain to depend upon its own  
ships alone for the transportation of  
its supplies.

When neutral ships are attacked, he  
says, there should be no trace of them  
allowed to remain, the terror induced  
by their complete disappearance to be  
such that sailors and passengers would  
refuse to sail upon neutral vessels  
bound for the war zone. Thus all  
neutrals would be compelled to remain  
away from British waters and the task  
of starving Great Britain into peace  
would be made easier.

## SUBMARINES FAIL TO HARM FRENCH MUCH

Only Seventeen French Ships  
Sunk in Three Months

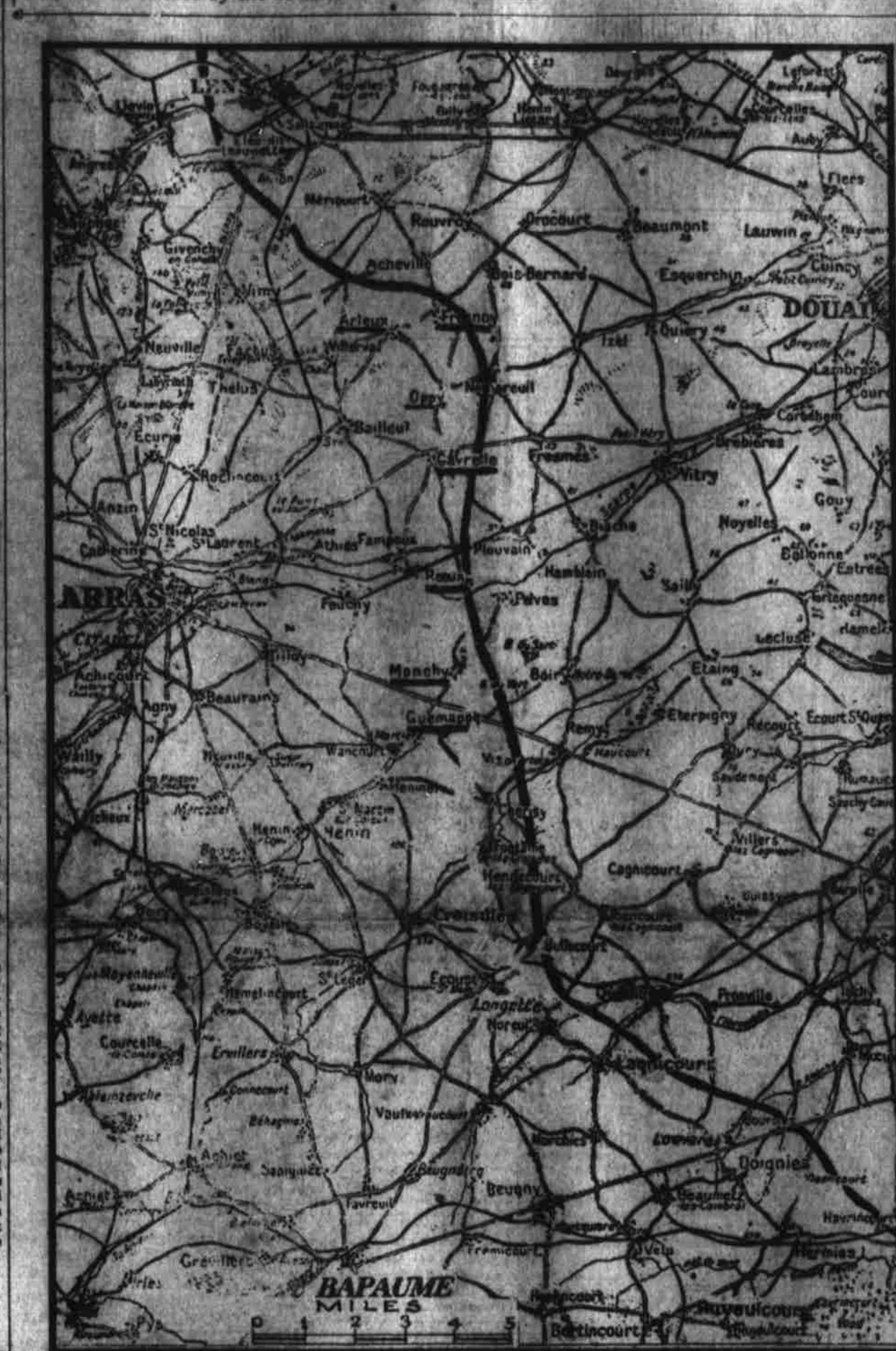
(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)  
PARIS, May 15—The submarine men-  
ace has not materially affected French  
shipping, only seventeen French mer-  
chantmen having been successfully at-  
tacked by the underwater fighters in  
the three months of February, March  
and April. During the same period,  
nine other unsuccessful attacks upon  
French ships were made by the sub-  
marines. Yesterday it was announced  
that the steamer *Medjerda* had been  
torpedoed and sunk. The surviving  
passengers and members of the crew  
have been landed.

## BANDITS SLAY TWO AFTER LOOTING BANK

One Outlaw Also Killed But Others  
Escape With \$10,000

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)  
PITTSBURGH, May 14—Three men  
were shot and killed today in a battle  
of outlaws and citizens in the heart  
of the city. The cashier and assistant  
cashier of a Pittsburgh bank were killed  
and one of the members of the party  
of bank robbers also slain when four  
bandits entered the bank. The remain-  
ing robbers got away with \$10,000. Two  
of them fled in an auto and were cap-  
tured, the money being recovered. One  
escaped. In the exchange of shots four  
citizens, bystanders, were wounded.

MAP of the district for which the Germans and the British troops are now fighting so desper-  
ately. The map shows the key position to the famous Wotan Line which protects the north-  
ern end of the so-called von Hindenburg line, which depends for its support upon the city of Cam-  
brai, now threatened by the advance of the British armies.



## PAPERS ATTACKING REVENUE MEASURE

Proposed Zone System Scored By  
Representatives of News-  
paper Interests

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)  
WASHINGTON, May 15—An attack  
upon another feature of the War Tax  
Bill was made yesterday before the sen-  
ate ways and means committee by var-  
ious spokesmen representing the news-  
paper interests of the nation. They de-  
clared that the proposal to create a  
zone system, whereby the postage to be  
made for the mail distribution of news-  
papers and periodicals is to be increased  
as the distance away from the office of  
publication increases, will force the sus-  
pension of many publications.

Many newspapers and periodicals, es-  
pecially trade journals and class news-  
papers, must have a national circulation  
or go out of business, these spokesmen  
stated, and it is these smaller publica-  
tions that will be hardest hit by the  
postal zone regulation.

## JELICOE NOW HEADS BRITISH NAVAL STAFF

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)  
LONDON, May 14—The formation  
of a central naval staff, with Admiral  
Sir John Jellicoe as chief, was an-  
nounced today by Sir Edward Carson,  
first lord of the admiralty.

## WHEAT GAMBLING IS HALTED BY ACTION OF CHICAGO BOARD

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)  
CHICAGO, May 14—All trade in  
wheat except that to close up exist-  
ing contracts, was ordered stopped for  
two days by the board of trade today.  
Saturday's closing figures are given as  
the maximum to be taken into account  
when the settlements are made, no  
prices being allowed above these.

## WATERPOWER MAY SOLVE PROBLEMS FACING FRENCHMEN

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)  
NEW YORK, May 14—Water power  
in the Alps will be harnessed for re-  
building devastated French and Belgian  
territory as it is won back from the  
Germans, according to news of a great  
engineering project made public today.  
It is expected that it will take six  
months to develop 20,000 horsepower,  
which will solve the coal problem for  
France.

## WORLD LEAGUE TO END WAR URGED

Twelve Hundred Prominent Brit-  
ishers Approve Idea of  
Taft and Wilson

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)  
LONDON, May 15—The plan for the  
creation of a league of nations, one of  
which shall be Germany, for the en-  
forcement of peace in the world follow-  
ing the end of the great war, as cham-  
pioned by President Wilson in his of-  
ficial statements and as outlined in the  
constitution of the organization of  
which former President Taft is presi-  
dent, was unanimously endorsed by a  
gathering of twelve hundred repre-  
sentative men of the British Empire  
last night.

Lord Bryce presided over the gather-  
ing and put the resolution, which was  
proposed by General Smuts, the former  
premier and famous general of South  
Africa. The acceptance of the resolu-  
tion was seconded by the Archbishop  
of Canterbury.

The tenor of the resolution was to  
endorse the creation of a world's  
league for world peace, with each na-  
tion in the league contributing of its  
men and ships for an international  
police force.

## PRICE OF LIVE HOGS SMASHES ALL RECORDS

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)  
SIOUX CITY, Iowa, May 15—  
Quotations on live hogs rose yester-  
day to the unprecedented figure of  
\$16.25 a hundredweight.

## ARMY INCREASE IS ORDERED AT LAST BY THE PRESIDENT

Organization of New Regiments  
Will Begin Today, Although Ser-  
vice Is Still More Than One  
Hundred Thousand Men Short  
of Its Full War Strength

(Associated Press By Cable)  
WASHINGTON, May 14—The ex-  
pansion of the regular army to its  
full strength was authorized by the  
President today.

The organization of new regiments  
will begin tomorrow. About 65,000 of  
the 184,000 necessary have already  
been recruited.

That the first effect of the Presi-  
dent's order increasing the size of the  
regular army will not be felt down  
here before July 1, is the opinion of  
army officials who have been keeping  
track of the developments.

"As a matter of fact," said General  
Strong, yesterday, "we do not know  
what we are going to do. It may be  
that the announcement that the Presi-  
dent has ordered the army increased  
indicates that the Selective Draft Bill  
has passed, but it must not be forgot-  
ten that the President had the author-  
ity to increase the army to full war  
strength under the terms of the Na-  
tional Defense Act which was passed last  
year."

"The additional increment to the  
Oahu garrison under the terms of that  
bill, would give us three new regiments  
of infantry, a complete regiment of en-  
gineers, additional signal corps com-  
panies and three more companies of  
coast artillery."

It was stated at headquarters yester-  
day that it is at present impossible to  
say what steps will be taken by the  
army to meet the demands of the Presi-  
dent's order, until it is learned what  
has been done with the Selective Draft  
Bill. It is possible, of course, it was  
pointed out, that the regiments down-  
here will be split into two as was done  
in some cases last year, and new regi-  
ments organized with the trained men  
of the old regiments forming centers  
around which the new commands can  
be built up. The recruits for these new  
regiments might be obtained either  
from recruiting or by means of con-  
scription.

"We don't know what congress is  
going to do, and until we get that in-  
formation there is no means of telling  
what we shall have to do," is the way  
that General Strong put the matter  
yesterday.

## TURKEY TIRED AND WOULD QUIT FIGHT

Prominent Italian Paper Prints  
Report That Sultan Looks  
For Separate Peace

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)  
ROME, May 15—That Turkey is tired  
of the war and discouraged by the al-  
most uniform successes of the Entente  
in both Asia and Europe and is ready  
now to abandon the Central Powers to  
save what is possible is stated on what  
is claimed as good authority in the  
*Iden Nazionale*.

This publication states that Turkey  
has already made overtures to Russia,  
asking for a separate peace. The Porte  
offers to grant to Russia the free and  
uninterrupted use of the Bosphorus  
and the Dardanelles and agrees to take  
up with Russia for settlement on a  
friendly basis the whole Armenian  
question, seeking for a settlement on  
the basis of a suitable recognition of  
the principles of nationality.

## ZEPPELIN DESTROYED BY BRITISH AIRCRAFT

Planes Attack Dirigible As It  
Nears the English Coast

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)  
LONDON, May 14—The British naval  
forces have destroyed the German Zepp-  
pelin L-22 in the North Sea, according  
to a statement today by the British ad-  
miralty.

Advices today say that British naval  
aircraft went in pursuit of the Zeppelin  
when it was reported approaching the  
east coast of England. The British  
battleships attacked the dirigible,  
which burst into flames.

Two of the crew jumped into the air  
and fell headlong into the sea, the others  
disappearing with the burning air-  
ship.

## SLAV THREAT CASTS GLOOM OVER CAUSE OF ENTENTE

Washington and New York Frank-  
ly Admit That Situation in Rus-  
sia May Possibly Delay the  
End of the War Indefinitely

WEAKEST LINK IN ALLIED  
CHAIN MAY SNAP SOON

British Attack Again On Western  
Front and Beat Back Germans  
From Town of Rœux, While  
Turks Defeat Russian Forces

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)  
NEW YORK, May 15—The  
Russian situation looms  
dark on the horizon for the Allies,  
and unless it takes a turn for the  
better no one can tell what  
grave results it will have for the  
United States and her allies  
against Germany.

Certain it is that Russia is now  
the weakest link in the Entente  
chain and that her weakness bids  
fair to prolong the war indefinitely.  
Certain it will be a grave ob-  
stacle to the early success of the  
Entente and the United States  
unless it can be changed in time.

Yesterday the reports from the  
eastern front showed that there  
has not been a sign of real activ-  
ity from the Baltic front to the  
Danubian region, both the Rus-  
sians and the Germans appar-  
ently waiting for the Germans to  
move and the Russians waiting  
for orders from Berlin where the  
strings are being pulled.

The disorganization that has  
swept over the Russian armies  
was made manifest yesterday by  
reports from the Caucasus and  
Mesopotamia, where the Turks  
rallied after many months and  
defeated the Russians.

Turning from this gloomy out-  
look to the western front the sit-  
uation improves. The British yester-  
day announced the capture of  
the entire town of Rœux and a  
push to the east north of Gav-  
relle.

There were no infantry attacks  
by the French, but the heavy ar-  
tillery bombardment along their  
line argued that one is coming  
shortly.

One of the most significant  
moves of the day was the an-  
nouncement from London that  
England intends launching a more  
aggressive naval policy. At least  
such is the generally accepted  
opinion of the formation of a new  
naval staff with Sir John Jellicoe  
at its head.

## SUSPECTS ARRESTED IN OLD MURDER MYSTERY

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)  
DES MOINES, May 16, Rev. Lynn  
George and J. Kelly, were arrested at  
Red Oak last night charged with being  
implicated in the famous "Villain  
Axe" murders which were committed  
on the morning of June 9, 1912. They  
were both indicted on the "testimony  
of reputable witnesses."